

Meeting Minutes

SPF SIG Evidence Based Interventions Workgroup

April 26th, 2011

The Evidence Based Interventions (EBI) Workgroup met via “Meet Me” teleconference from 1:30-3 PM on April 26th, 2011. Participants included the following: Jodi Barnett, Diane Casto, Michael Sobocinski, Rebecca Busch, Cathie Clements, Shirley Holmberg and Devon Urquhart

❖ Suggestions for EBI Guidance Document

Workgroup members would like to have a few examples of what evidence based interventions might look like. For example, when reviewing environmental strategies, interventions such as Project Northland and Class Action could be included.

While environmental strategies are not required, we are emphasizing their importance in the Guidance Document to encourage population level change.

Classroom component as well as community mobilization component. Is looking up interventions using NREPP and peer reviewed journals.

❖ Resources for Future Grantees

It may be helpful to give successful applicants access to the online library to research peer reviewed journals. There was a discussion regarding utilizing a librarian or providing TA on how to effectively research peer reviewed journals during their initial training.

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention could be a great resource to grantees:

<http://www.ojjdp.gov/mpg/>

Cochrane Collaboration has a special drug and alcohol review of strategies which grantees may find useful: <http://www.cochrane.org/>

❖ Reviewing Guidance Document

The EBI Workgroup discussed Chapter 2:

- 3rd category of SPF SIG Criteria of evidence based interventions (page 12): Documented effectiveness supported by other sources of information and the consensus judgement of informed experts
- Discussed Concepts to Consider from category 3: we may be able to help grantees identify other evidence of effectiveness through formal or informal efforts (page 13).
- Require that there be previous support and/or an argument based upon a risk and protective factor which has been implemented. If you're taking a practice which has

been successful in one setting and utilizing it in another committee could fall into number 4 of category 3. All four requirements must be met.

The EBI Workgroup Discussed Chapter 3:

- It may be helpful to define the term “fidelity” so that the document becomes more reader friendly.

❖ Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on May 24, 2011 from 1:30-3 PM. The call-in number is 1-800-315-6338 and the code is 4984. A reminder and agenda will be e-mailed prior to our meeting.